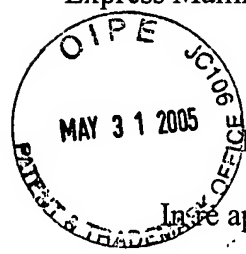


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TRANSMITTAL FOR AMENDMENT "A"  
AND RESPONSE

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment "A" and Response for entry in the above-identified application.

- X Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- X To render the transmitted Amendment "A" and Response timely filed enclosed are the following:
  - X Petition for a Three (3)-Month Extension of Time; and
  - X A Certificate of Express Mail Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10.
  - X Power of Attorney

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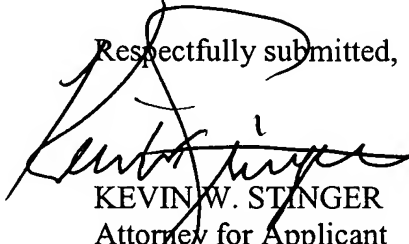
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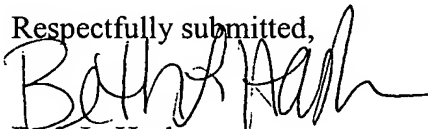
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